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## Crossings campaign launched

**THE campaign to give Greenwich two new crossings over the Thames has been given its official launch.**

Supporters say a new tunnel between Greenwich Peninsula and Silvertown, and a new bridge at Gallions Reach between Beckton and Thamesmead, is the only way to cure the daily traffic snarl-ups which have long blighted this part of London's prospects to grow and prosper.

The royal borough, working with Newham Council north of the river, launched the campaign officially in front of the media and TV crews on Friday. They will be lobbying Transport for London (TfL) to press ahead with both schemes – and they want local people to show their support.

The council says a bridge at Gallions Reach would make it easier to get to 40 sites either side of the river, boosting development prospects, and creating around 20,000 jobs.

A Silvertown tunnel would provide much needed relief to traffic congestion at the Blackwall Tunnel and support the development of Greenwich Peninsula and Royal Docks. Between central London and the M25 heading west, there are 25 bridge crossings over the Thames. From Tower Bridge to Dartford, there are just two.

Transport for London is consulting on the river crossings package between now and February 1. TfL's proposals include a ferry at Gallions Reach and a tunnel at Silvertown. Both councils believe

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Call the office in advance on 020 7219 5895 to register for a surgery (lines are open Monday-Thursdays 10am-12pm & 2-4pm).

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2nd Saturday of the month, 2pm at West Greenwich House, 141 Greenwich High Road, Greenwich SE10 8JA.

4th Saturday of the month: 11am at the Barnfield Project, Oak House, Barnfield Road SE18 3UH.

4th Saturday of the month, 2pm at Woolwich Town Hall, Wellington Street, Woolwich SE18 6PW.

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2nd Fri: Slade Hall, Pendrell Street, 6pm

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3rd Tues: Middle Park Community Centre, 150 Middle Park Avenue, 11am-12.30pm

3rd Fri: Coldharbour Neighbourhood office, library entrance, William Barefoot Drive, 11am.

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Contact Members' Services on 020 8921 5151 for information on the surgery times for your councillor.

## ROYAL BOROUGH MEETINGS

THE following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

Jan 9 - Planning Board, 6.30pm

Jan 16 - Licensing Committee, 6.30pm

Jan 21 - Greenwich Area Planning Committee, 6.30pm

More information on 020 8921 5130 or [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings)

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MATTHEW HUNTBAACH: 'A recent photo of ducks in Eltham Park North.'

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We reserve the right to edit any letters received.

## You didn't mention St Alfege

I ENJOYED reading in the last issue, (GT December 18) of all the events which have made 2012 a year to remember in Greenwich. What a pity you failed to remember the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams, to St Alfege's Church on April 19. The sunny and unforgettable occasion marked the millennium of the martyrdom of St Alfege and should surely have been included in your list.

**Sheila Ormell, Blackheath**

●THANKS for your letter Sheila, apologies for the oversight. There was so much going on in the borough in 2012 that it was difficult to give everything a mention. Ed

## Gardens not car parks!

IT is estimated that 33 per cent of all front gardens in Britain have been turned into car parks. That's seven million front gardens totally destroyed. A study in Leeds found 75 per cent of the total increase of hard surfaces in the past 33 years has been caused by homeowners paving over living soil. At long last the most forward-looking people are beginning to realise the importance of green suburban gardens. However, there are still too many soul-dead people of the concrete and tarmac mentality who will continue their destructive habits unabated unless something is done. Planning regulations are good, but only a temporary check to



an ever-encroaching tidal wave of damage. There will always be those who flout the regulations and get away with it by sheer brazen persistence, and others, more law-abiding, who will seek to divest the planning regulations of some teeth. It is up to all of us to keep our gardens formed of living plants in a living earth, not wasteland

of concrete and tarmac. Perhaps Greenwich Council could do something to help this along, and encourage those who are brainwashed by the mass-media materialist culture to grow into more thoughtful and responsible inhabitants of the planet.

**Susan King, Shooters Hill**

●IT is true that planning rules encourage surfaces for driveways which are permeable and let water drain away naturally. Anyone wanting to construct a tarmac driveway of more than 5 sq m has to apply for planning permission, and the council agrees that gardens are important for nature conservation and retaining the character of a residential area.

More info at: [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/sustainability](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/sustainability)

## Show respect by keeping older people in the loop

AS a member of Greenwich and Woolwich Pensioners Forum I have become increasingly annoyed at MPs, local councillors, heads of departments and others who do not reply to requests for information that relates to pensioners. We are doing the council's work by passing

information on at our meetings and through hand-outs to our members. Please give us respect and dignity by replying asap to any request we may have. **Mary Simpson, GWPF**  
●WE are sorry to hear you have experienced problems in receiving information. The council aims

to answer requests from all of its residents and engage in all discussions.



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## Ferry set for an upgrade

A NEW seven-year, £50million contract to run and make improvements to the Woolwich Ferry will take effect from April 1. The contract was awarded by Transport for London (TfL) to Briggs Marine and Environmental Service, which will ensure the continued operation of the ferry by carrying out maintenance and improvement work to the three ferries - James Newman, John Burns and Ernest Bevin - as well as to the two terminals. Briggs Marine won the contract by offering value for money as well as long-term marine expertise, including on the busy river Thames.

The Woolwich Ferry will see improvement work over the coming years after Transport for London (TfL) awarded the contract to the company to operate and maintain the service from 2013.

The ferry is a free service which carries more than 50,000 passengers and 20,000 vehicles every week, linking Woolwich with North Woolwich.

A ferry has operated at Woolwich since the 14th century and has been operated from its current position since 1889 when the first free ferry service began. The current ferry terminals were introduced in 1965.

● MAYOR of London, Boris Johnson has announced £3.2m for the borough to invest in transport projects, the money allocated by TfL through the Local Implementation Plan (LIP).

The funding will finance a range of projects, including:

- £405,000 for the roll-out of 20mph zones and speed limits across residential streets
- £571,000 to make cycling safer and easier through the Cycling Action Plan.

## Pizza shop health fine

THE owner of a pizza take-away who put customers' health at risk with poor hygiene standards has been fined by Bexley magistrates.

Mr Waqas Amin, owner of Pizza Inn, Woolwich was fined £2,320, including costs, after pleading guilty to food hygiene offences on December 3.

Environmental health officers carried out a routine inspection on October 26, 2011 and found mouse droppings inside pizza boxes, on work surfaces and inside a box of onions. Mice were "active in all areas", they said. Since re-opening, further inspections have been carried out and officers are satisfied that the mouse infestation has been dealt with.

● Customers can check whether a business has a food hygiene award at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/foodhygiene](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/foodhygiene)

## Bin collections and xmas trees

RUBBISH collections in the borough are back to normal this week.

Standard refuse pick-up days resumed yesterday, (January 7), and real Christmas trees are being picked up free of charge on normal collection days.

If you don't have a green-top bin you can still leave your tree at the front of your property, there is no need to telephone for a special collection service.

Residents living in flats should leave their real trees by the bin store.

● More info at: [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidaybinscollections](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidaybinscollections)



**PEOPLE'S CHAMPIONS:** Marguerite McLaughlin (far left), was recognised for her work in the LGBT community, while Don Simms has worked tirelessly for charity and helping people with disabilities for more than 40 years.

# A real honour

## New Year list tributes for community figures

by Dick Townsend-Smith

**A PAIR of community champions from Greenwich have been awarded the British Empire Medal (BEM) in the Queen's New Year's Honours list.**

They are **Don Simms** from North Park, Eltham, who has spent 40 years helping people with disabilities, and **Marguerite McLaughlin**, from the Metro Centre on Norman Road, for her services to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender, and African people.

Mr Simms, 81, has been a yeoman visitor guide at the Painted Hall at the Old Royal Naval College in Greenwich for the last 14 years.

Before that he spent 30 years as a police constable in the Met, based at Greenwich. He said: "I was given the award for helping people with disabilities, mostly with the Winged Fellowship charitable foundation, where I took disabled people on holidays as far away as China, Africa, America and New Zealand."

"Before that I ran Greenwich Mencap's Gateway Club in Eltham for people with a mental handicap, and was chairman of the London Federation of Gateway Clubs for 15 years. I also gave 125 pints of blood over 20 years, until I had to stop at the age of 60."

Mr Simms has also worked as a care attendant providing personal care for people with severe disabilities. He has been married to Doreen for 59 years. His son Michael is a civil engineer on Crossrail and his daughter Kathrine is autistic and in residential care in Blackheath.

He said: "I was very surprised when I heard about my BEM, I wasn't expecting it. I was nominated by my friends, and I was absolutely delighted."

Ms McLaughlin has been Metro's chief executive since 2003 and has led the organisation through a decade of growth and change.

Under her leadership it has established itself as a provider of sexual health, HIV, mental health and youth services not only in its home borough of Greenwich, but across London and the South East and into national and international projects.

It is now the biggest provider of direct services to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people in London, and its services extend to many other communities including African people, young people and those living with HIV. It

employs 70 staff and is supported by more than 100 volunteers.

Ms McLaughlin said: "It is very humbling to be honoured in this way and I am absolutely thrilled to have been recommended for this award. I am inspired every day by the passion, commitment

and enthusiasm of Metro's service users, volunteers and staff.

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The Arches Leisure Centre in Greenwich is set to up a gear with new seating and tables in the rest and visiting areas, while the changing rooms and cubicles will also have been redecorated by next month as part of the improvements.

There are now more than 40 exercise classes to choose from in the Arches gym, tone room

and pool. And following complaints about queuing, a new, wider reception area is being created with automatic band readers to enable customers who are members to swipe in without going through reception.

On top of that, a new spinning studio has been opened where classes can be undertaken with an instructor or by following a TV routine.

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MEANWHILE, there will be a historic moment at Charlton Lido in Hornfair Park later this month when the lido's main façade, built in 1936, is demolished as part of the £120,000 London Marathon trust award to create a new reception area, gym, exercise studio, changing rooms and cafeteria.

Residents determined to improve their

wellbeing are welcome to attend free activities put on by Greenwich Get Active, a new local service run jointly by NHS Greenwich and Charlton Athletic Community Trust.

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Cllr Peter Kotz, cabinet member for cultural and creative industries said: "Thanks to the Olympic legacy, there's never been a better time for local residents to get fitter and healthier. Facilities are there for every kind of exercise, many of them free of charge, and easily accessible.

"I hope that as many people as possible take advantage of these opportunities, partly in response to the Olympic and Paralympic Games that touched all our lives in 2012."

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the proposals do not go far enough and are urging the gap to be bridged.

They want residents and businesses in the area to give support to the fixed link crossings between Beckton and Thamesmead and the Silvertown tunnel.

The campaign is being backed by many business leaders, who say new crossings would transform the economic potential of the old industrial sites on both sides of the river.

Cllr Chris Roberts, leader of the royal borough, said: "New river crossings are vital for this part of London – and we need a viable, long-term solution. For far too long we have put up with congestion, pollution and this barrier to growth. We badly need these long term solutions to ease the pressure on the Blackwall Tunnel and the Woolwich Ferry. The quick-fix ferry suggestion at Gallions Reach just isn't good enough – we need a real long-term solution.

"This isn't just about making the immediate area better – London is expanding east, and we need to manage that growth and ensure the right infrastructure is in place to fully realise the potential of south-east London. It will aid the UK economy as a whole to be able to overcome the barrier of the Thames here and to finally fully connect north and south London."

Sir Robin Wales, Mayor of Newham, said: "Central and west London have long been recipients of investment and new transport infrastructure. The economic argument stacks up for investing in east London – a bridge at Gallions Reach would provide value for money and a long-term solution to congestion in east London."

• **More info at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/bridgethegap](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/bridgethegap)**

# Bridging the gap



LINKING UP: Cllr Denise Hyland and Conor McAuley, Newham Council's executive member for regeneration and strategic planning, at the launch

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# A year

## Readers' photo comp!

**YOU'VE** really spoiled us over the last year with all the fantastic pictures you've sent in to GT's Pic Spot.

We've had hundreds of brilliant snaps submitted, capturing all the landmark and beauty spots that the borough has to offer. So we thought it was about time we launched an annual competition to celebrate your snappy skills.

We've shortlisted some of our favourites from the last 12 months. Now it's your turn to have your say and vote for your top picture.

The photographer who gets the most votes wins a masterclass

from a professional snapper, and the runner-up gets a large decorative photo frame with their picture printed inside, courtesy of Snappy Snaps in Woolwich.

And everyone who votes is entered into a prize draw for a photo frame!

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### Pic Spot competition

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - clouds | <input type="checkbox"/> 8 - bumble bee     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - geese  | <input type="checkbox"/> 9 - Pilot Inn      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - frogs  | <input type="checkbox"/> 10 - Pier at night |

Your name, address and phone no. for entry into the prize draw:

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STUART GRIGSBY: 'This is the Royal Observatory taken from One Tree Hill.'



PAMELA MARTIN, Kidbrooke: 'A robin came to collect worms while rearing his young.'

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STEVE HAYNES:

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MAGGIE REA:

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# in pictures



'A cloudy sky over Oxleas Woods taken on my iphone.'



ALAYNA SHOLAJA, 11: 'Geese at Greenwich Peninsula Eco Park.'



'Three frogs in my pond, as if to say: "Are you looking at me, kid?"'



MELANIE ROBERTS: 'Saw this today and it made me smile.'



PATRICIA SEWARD: 'A photo of starlings feeding on peanut butter in my garden.'



NEIL COLE, ABBEY WOOD: 'I took this in Abbey Wood as a bee came in to land.'



CHARLIE BENNETT: 'The lavender field outside the Pilot Inn pub on the peninsula.'



KAVINDA KARIYAPPERUMA: 'I took this night picture of Greenwich Pier.'

## Make this the last time

A NEW campaign is helping smokers kick the habit for good. And for people who have tried before and failed, the theme this time is 'Make this the last time'.

The new stop smoking campaign runs from January to March, and a pop-up roadshow will be touring the borough, dropping in on five locations, including high streets and supermarkets. Smokers are being offered lung age tests and support to help them quit. Smokers are four times more likely to quit for good if they get professional support.

The campaign is also being promoted with stories from locals who have managed to quit. It is being organised by the NHS Greenwich Stop Smoking Service, working with the royal borough.

There are more than 300 trained advisors based in GP surgeries and pharmacies across Greenwich to give free support. And larger pharmacies are often open during evenings and weekends.

There is also a free seven-week group programme where smokers can quit together. These are being held in the evenings at both Charlton Athletic Football Club and the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Woolwich. For people who have impaired mobility, a stop smoking adviser is available to visit people at home and provide one-to-one support.

Steve Whiteman, director of public health for NHS Greenwich, said: 'Helping people stop smoking is still a major public health priority in the borough. We are really looking forward to making this new year campaign the most successful ever, supporting even more local smokers to quit for good.'

• For more information call 0800 5875833 or text 'QUIT' to 60060. The campaign website is at [www.the-last-time.co.uk](http://www.the-last-time.co.uk)

## NHS report submission

THE recommendations for the future of the South London Healthcare Trust have been submitted. The special administrator's report and proposed solutions for the trust's financial trouble were passed to the Secretary of State for Health today, (Tuesday, January 8).

• Full details at [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk) or [www.dh.gov.uk](http://www.dh.gov.uk)

## Conmen posing as decorators

RESIDENTS are warned to be vigilant against conmen calling at houses in the borough claiming to be painters and decorators.

If no one answers the door the men snoop around the property looking for possible ways to gain entry. If the door is answered the men try and convince the home owner that the house needs to be repainted. They then do a shoddy job and charge extortionate rates.

The elderly are particularly at risk to this type of scam. Cold callers should be treated with caution and always ask for identification.

• If you would like to report a possible confidence trickster or check the validity of a business, contact Greenwich Trading Standards on 020 8921 8223 or go to [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/tradingstandards](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/tradingstandards)



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Pound Park Nursery School and Children's Centre is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and families and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful applicants for all posts will be subject to a full disclosure from the Criminal Records Bureau.

How to apply: To receive an application form, Job description and further information, please email [info@poundpark.greenwich.sch.uk](mailto:info@poundpark.greenwich.sch.uk) or call into the school office to collect a pack. Please note that full application forms must be completed please do not send CVs.

Closing date for applications for post:  
Friday 18th Jan 2013  
Interviews 30th January 2013

Visits to the Centre are recommended. Please contact the Centre Office on 02088581791 to arrange a suitable time.



# Hampered!

CHRISTMAS cheer was packed into hundreds of boxes by these volunteers from the New Wine Church.

The Woolwich church donated the festive hampers to the poor and the needy in the borough the weekend before Christmas.

It is the twelfth year that the church, based at the old Art Deco cinema building on John Wilson Street, has given out the presents. Food stuffs including gravy and stuffing were among the store-cupboard essentials in the gift packs.

## ST MARY MAGDALENE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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The positions will commence as soon as possible, and are for 6 months initially with the possibility of becoming permanent.

**Term time and INSET days only Salary: ATP + C Scale 2 point 10-13**

If you would like to know more about the position, please telephone the school to ask or to arrange a visit. Application forms are available by collection from the school office or from our website [www.stmarymagdalenepri.com](http://www.stmarymagdalenepri.com) from the section Job Vacancies

**Closing date for application: Noon 17.1.13 Interviews: Week beginning 21.1.13**

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and we expect all staff to share this commitment.



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**For further details and an application pack please email:**  
**[admin@southrise.greenwich.sch.uk](mailto:admin@southrise.greenwich.sch.uk)**

**Closing date for applications is 23rd January 2013**  
**Shortlisting will be take place on 25th January 2013**  
**Interviews will be held Tuesday 29th January 2013**

Visits to the school are welcome.

**An enhanced CRB check will be required for this position.**





# Greenwich dad-of-two keeps on rowing in his wife's memory

## James goes that extra two thousand miles

**A GREENWICH man has completed a mega rowing challenge equivalent to 72 marathons.**

James Shenton completed the 12-month feat raising more than £6,000 for the Greenwich and Bexley Community Hospice.

The 37-year-old rowed more than three million metres in memory of his wife Nartalia, who died in June 2011, aged just 34.

His amazing feat was achieved on his Concept2 indoor rowing machine.

James's target was to row the equivalent distance of 72 marathons - 3,038,040-metres, almost 2,000 miles.

"I generally needed to improve my health, and I decided to throw myself into exercise, initially just to help me sleep," said James.

"My evenings were lonely and isolating after my daughters went to bed, so I wanted to find a form of exercise that would keep me occupied and which I could do at home," added the dad-of-two who is

also supporting the charity Children and the Arts.

"I was so proud to complete this challenge and to be supporting two charities that are close to my heart. The hospice cared for my wife towards the end of her life, and I will never forget the kindness and support we received. It is a very special place."

James, a business analyst, added: "It has been immensely challenging, finding the time to fit in so much rowing around my duties as a full-time dad to my two beautiful daughters, and having a full-time job. I wanted a challenge that would help beat the grief. I really had to stay organised and focused to keep on track. I couldn't have done it without all the wonderful support I have received every single day from friends and family."

James has raised over £6,000 and hopes to double the figure by the end of the year. Two thirds of his sponsorship will go to the hospice.

● **You can still sponsor James at [www.virginmoneygiving.com/3000000m](http://www.virginmoneygiving.com/3000000m)**



**MARATHON EFFORT:** James Shenton and the rowing machine that took him 3,030,040 metres to raise money for the supportive charities

## GETTING THE CARE YOU NEED OVER THE HOLIDAYS

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*Greenwich*

During the holiday period when your doctor's surgery or your local pharmacy is closed, you can still get the help you need. For more information on GP and pharmacy opening hours over the holiday period visit [www.selondon.nhs.uk](http://www.selondon.nhs.uk). If you feel you cannot wait until your surgery re-opens call **GRABADOC** on **020 8319 3030**.



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If you would like help to find your local health services, contact the Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) on 0800 16 99 928 or visit [www.selondon.nhs.uk/greenwich](http://www.selondon.nhs.uk/greenwich)





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# Slim...fast!

KAY Bunsell from Greenwich, aged 25, had suffered weight issues all of her life. After looking at a photo of herself taken at her son's first birthday party she just knew she had to do something. So she joined Slimming World, and became Slimmer of the Year when she lost an incredible 6st 2lbs!

Suffering from slipped and ragged discs in her lower back, surgery, and being borderline diabetic Kay knew that something had to change.

She was inspired by the healthy eating plan on which she could eat normal everyday foods freely without weighing or measuring plus a couple of weighed healthy extras and, on top of all that, a daily sin allowance. She realised she had nothing to lose but lbs. Her old confidence returned, her activity levels and health improved and these, in turn, inspired her to go into group every single week no matter what type of week she had experienced. Kay said: "I was always a bit depressed inside, struggled hard daily not to show it, but I just knew I needed help of a special kind. Once I discovered Slimming World the burden lifted and I was never alone."

To find your nearest Slimming World group, go to [www.slimmingworld.com](http://www.slimmingworld.com) or ring 07596762442 or e mail [swse91@sky.com](mailto:swse91@sky.com) Or contact Kay on 0785278493 or mail her on [silver162005@gmail.com](mailto:silver162005@gmail.com)



TRANSFORMATION: Kay was depressed about her weight (top), and above right, after shedding almost 7st and 10 dress sizes

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IN THE SWIM: young winners from the Borough Swimming Championships show their delight at a special presentation event at the Public Hall behind the town hall in Woolwich

# A gala night for young swimmers

## Public Hall presentations for the new champions

by Peter Cordwell

**BUBBLY** 11-year-old swimmer Annabel Walker is not shy about one of the secrets of her success.

"I think I do well because I've got quite big feet," said Annabel, "size seven."

She's also brave, winning both the 50-metre backstroke and freestyle at the borough championships with a finger taped after breaking it playing netball.

"It hurt a little bit but it wasn't so bad," said Annabel, a member of the new Greenwich Royals Swimming Club based at the Arches Leisure Centre in Greenwich.

She was one of prize winners at a special presentation hosted by the Mayor, Cllr David Grant, at the Public Hall in Woolwich last month.

"My times are improving all the time," said Annabel, who enjoys science and drama at Blackheath Prep School, "and I'd like to be an Olympian one day. Next year I hope to go to the county championships."

Seventeen-year-old clubmate George Evans, a Kent champion who lives in Eltham, made it a hat-trick in the 100m back, fly and front crawl. He said: "I used to play rugby but prefer swimming because you don't get hurt. I love the training and the social side too."

"Training gets more intense

when you're 18 and I'd love to go for the nationals."

Another Royals swimmer, 11-year-old Luke Brown, who had already won the 100m and 200m breaststroke at the London regionals, took the 50m fly, breast and freestyle, and finished second in the backstroke.

"I also train with Cambridge Harriers once a week, the 400 metres, and I'm hoping to make the nationals at swimming," said Luke.

Nine-year-old Kirsty Moore, who goes to Gordon primary school in Eltham, also won three events and finished second in the fourth, the breaststroke.

She said: "It was lovely to

receive three trophies and four plaques from the mayor. When I'm older I would like to become a famous fly swimmer and maybe compete in the Olympics."

Trophies and certificates were also presented by Cllr Peter Kotz, cabinet member for cultural and creative industries. He said: "It was a pleasure to present prizes to a wonderful bunch of young swimmers but, as the new club officials emphasise, it's just as important to get more people into our pools for the enjoyment and great benefits from swimming."

● **FIND out more about the club at [www.greenwichroyalsswimmingclub.co.uk](http://www.greenwichroyalsswimmingclub.co.uk)**

## Join the club where the water's royal blue

GREENWICH Royals is a new swimming club that is based in a number of swimming pools across the Greenwich borough, writes George Evans.

The club started in September 2012 after the coming together of two clubs – Greenwich SC and Greenwich Borough Mariners. It is a competitive club with a large number of strong swimmers, but it also incorporates the social and fitness sides of swimming via the squads.

There's a group for competent swimmers who don't wish to compete, and a top group for adults still wishing to keep fit through

swimming.

Greenwich Royals also competes with other clubs, and its strength in depth was shown recently when it entered two teams into the National Arena League.

The league is the national swimming league for Britain, and the Greenwich Royals entered another squad via the promotion of the A team to Division One, after they were crowned champions of Division Two. The club is keen to provide swimming facilities for swimmers of all ages and abilities.

It runs a 'learn to swim' programme for those

new to the pool and intermediate classes right up to the masters squad. Training occurs numerous venues across the borough. The price is £27 a month for swimmers on the fitness side. This plan is for swimmers wanting a more competitive route into swimming, and the prices go up with the amount of pool time that individual swimmers require.

● **If you are interested in joining the club please contact the club at [info@greenwichroyalsswimmingclub.co.uk](mailto:info@greenwichroyalsswimmingclub.co.uk) More details are on the club's website [www.greenwichroyalsswimmingclub.co.uk](http://www.greenwichroyalsswimmingclub.co.uk)**

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LONDON  
SE2 0RB

A record of the application may be inspected by appointment.

Interested parties may make representations to the Royal Borough of Greenwich on this application by no later than 15 JANUARY 2013. Representations can be made in writing, by email or fax to The Licensing Team, 4th Floor, Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, London SE18 6HQ. Tel: 020 8921 8018, Fax: 020 8921 8380, Email: [licensing@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@greenwich.gov.uk). Representations can only be made on the grounds of one of the four licensing objectives, namely:

- Protection of children from harm
- Public nuisance
- Prevention of crime and disorder
- Public safety

Any person who makes a false statement in connection with an application is liable on summary conviction to a maximum fine of £5,000.

It is proposed that the following licensable activities will take place at the premises:

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8AM - MIDNIGHT



IT'S back to school time, and while one secondary has had a revamp for the new year, primary schools are looking to fill places, and there's an open day on the cards at a new technology college. **DICK TOWNSEND-SMITH** reports...



**RARING TO GO:** there is just a week to go until the deadline for applying for September places

## Last week of primary school applications

**THERE'S** just a week left for parents and carers to apply for a primary school place in the borough.

The deadline for applications is next Tuesday, January 15. Once all the applications are in, a major exercise will begin to match as many children as possible to the schools of their choice. The decisions will be announced on April 17, and parents and carers then have until May 2 to accept an offer.

Any appeals will be heard during June and July, ready for the start of the new school year in September. All children born between September 1 2008 and August 31 2009 will qualify for a reception class place in September.

The quickest, easiest and most secure way to apply is online, through the eAdmissions portal. It is also the quickest way to find out the results. People applying for a voluntary aided or faith school will also need to complete a supplementary information form. This needs to be sent to the relevant school by the same date as the deadline for the application form. People without outline access can complete a paper application form. You can use this form to apply for state maintained schools in Royal Greenwich or in any other area.

People who need help with the admissions process can get help from the borough's Families

Information and Outreach service. It's available to everyone and provides a wide range of information on local primary schools, support with choosing your preferred schools, and information about the appeals process. Contact the service on 020 8921 6921 or email [fis@royalgreenwich.gov.uk](mailto:fis@royalgreenwich.gov.uk)

The service is now running sessions to help people complete the application form. They are being held at the Woolwich Library in the Woolwich Centre in Wellington Street between 10am and noon tomorrow, Wednesday January 9, then on Thursday (10th), Friday (11th), and Monday (14th) and Tuesday (15th) next week.

Cllr Jackie Smith, the royal borough's cabinet member for children's services, said: "There has never been a better time to go to school in Royal Greenwich.

Our schools have a strong and improving record of helping children of all abilities to fulfil their potential.

"By the age of 11, results for Royal Greenwich pupils are among the highest in the country and high standards in English and maths are a good basis for successful transfer to secondary school when the time comes. Our schools offer a broad range of other subjects as well to help children develop their interests and their artistic and sporting talents. We are very fortunate in having a rich and diverse heritage

# Thoroughly modern Ma

**IT'S** full speed ahead for the project to modernise Plumstead Manor secondary school.

The old buildings at the girls' school on Old Mill Road are being brought up to 21st century standards. And extra buildings are being added too.

So far the work has involved the construction of two new blocks, and improvements to the school's performing arts and sixth form facilities.

The Ancona, Millennium and Old Mill buildings have been refurbished, and work is under way on external landscaping that will give Plumstead Manor an open-air amphitheatre right in the heart of the school.

There is a newly-built sports hall, and 'The Space' which is the performance area in the Jo Harding Centre - named after a fondly remembered headteacher.

There will also be a new sixth form centre called the Frank Lerner Building, which will be open in September when students return from the Wickham Lane site.

Right now, the Kings Warren building is undergoing a makeover ready for its 100th anniversary, and four new IT suites are being built in Church Manor Way.

The final phase will bring a new entrance and reception in Old Mill Road, joining the new and existing buildings.

The project is one of the last to benefit from the former Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme, and is due to be finished by the start of the new school year next September.

Headteacher Sue Flanagan told GT: "BSF has enabled us to provide excellent facilities for our students, exactly what they, our staff and extended community deserve. It also means we can look forward to the return of the sixth form to their purpose built post-16 centre."

Plumstead Manor's staff have been praised by school inspectors from Ofsted, who said that they had ensured it had been business as usual during the building works, which coincided with the school's best ever results both at GCSE and post-16 this year.

Students are giving Plumstead Manor's modernisation programme a unanimous thumbs-up.

Sheniz Arif, 14, said: "The building wasn't very nice before, and it was really cold. Now it's bigger, cleaner and brighter."

Keen musicians Annie Dundas and Dylis Eshun, both 15, practise playing their acoustic guitars together. Annie said: "It's so much easier for us to do this in the new building, because the



surrounding are nicer now." One of the school's big success stories is its annual 'Outburst' dance event, which featured 150 students aged 11 to 18. It was staged over two nights last year in front of parents, families, friends and governors, using the new theatre for the first time.

Alice Brooks, 16, who is taking a B-Tech in performing arts, said: "The new theatre is a lot better and more professional, and it doesn't feel like a school any more."

"We have a full-time professional theatre technician teaching here, and he's really passionate about what he does. If we have ideas he helps us to try





School brought singing  
and dancing into the  
21st century

# Manor!



**ALL IN FAVOUR:** the performing arts students raise their hands in approval over the new Space Theatre, while above right, the new school uniforms are a big hit



**NOTE WORTHY:** guitarist practises a few licks



**AFRICA CALLING:** (right) - Bryony, Lauren, Omolade and Emily are fundraising for an exciting visit to Malawi next summer to help renovate a primary school



## Uniform approval

THE old school uniform of red sweatshirts, black trousers and grey shirts started to look dated as the new, modern school took shape. So it's also been given a makeover. Students now wear navy pleated skirts or trousers, white blouses and navy jumpers trimmed in red. New navy blue blazers also have red trim, and the verdict is "it's great!"

them out." Rasmiya Ramamoorthy, 15, is part of the Bollywood dance group called Bollymix.

She said: "This is a much more professional environment with a proper stage, and not just like a school."

The gold medal success by boxer Nicola Adams at the Olympics has had a knock-on effect at Plumstead Manor. An increasing number of girls want to take up the sport, with lessons provided by a professional coach.

Rehana Haque, 14, said: "The Olympics inspired me to give it a go. It's a very good way to keep fit, and I do it after school as well."



**BOXING CLEVER:** girls are taking up the sport after Nicola Adams won gold at the London Games

## Check out courses at tech college

Royal Greenwich University Technical College opens in September, and it's hosting open days for potential students from Friday.

The events are being held University of Greenwich campus at the Old Royal Naval College, on Friday 11 January from 6pm to 8pm and Saturday 12 January from 10am to 12pm. The events focus on the post-16 curriculum for students entering Year 12.

The UTC is a vocational college where students can learn practical skills to set them up for life in the workplace. It is offering 150 places for students entering Year 12 in September, to provide technical qualifications specialising in engineering, construction and related industries, alongside a core A-level academic curriculum.

A feature of the college is the level of independence the Year 12 students will have over their studies. Students entering Year 12 will be able to sit down with their teachers to define their goals and future career paths and then select the subjects and additional qualifications that best suits them.

● Applications are open via the Royal Greenwich UTC website - [www.greenwichutc.com](http://www.greenwichutc.com), with the closing deadline at the end of March.



**FRONT OF HOUSE:** artist's impression of new UTC entrance

## Rave' really is the business

**BUSINESS** owners who want to make the exciting move into the digital age can get help from the experts.

The Ravensbourne college on the Greenwich Peninsula has launched a special training course in social media aimed specifically at small and medium-sized businesses.

For many business owners, negotiating their way through the digital world can be daunting. Most realise they need to be online but have no idea how to do it. So Ravensbourne is running a course called 'Getting Connected' in partnership with the royal borough's Digital Skills initiative.

During the course people can learn about the key social media tools required to increase their brand's or business's digital presence and boost response from customers. It is ideal for business owners who have a basic understanding of social media tools such as LinkedIn, Tumblr, Twitter, Pinterest and Facebook.

● More information is on the website at [www.rave.ac.uk/greenwichdigitalskills](http://www.rave.ac.uk/greenwichdigitalskills)



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We are looking for experienced and flexible people to work with children at the school. You will have a positive approach and be keen to broaden your knowledge. You will be able to work independently and in collaboration with colleagues and other professionals.

You will need to be prepared to work flexible hours depending upon the needs of children. Salary will depend upon experience and agreed hours.

Candidates are encouraged to visit the school. Please email the school office, [information@discovery.greenwich.sch.uk](mailto:information@discovery.greenwich.sch.uk), if you would like an application pack, visit or to discuss this position further; alternatively please visit our website [www.discovery.greenwich.sch.uk](http://www.discovery.greenwich.sch.uk) to download the relevant forms.

**Closing date: Monday 21st January 2013**  
**Interviews: W/C Monday 28th January 2013**



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**Closing date: Monday 21st January 2013**  
**Interviews: Wednesday 30th January 2013 & Thursday 31st January 2013**



TANKUS TO THE BRIDGE: foot-stomping piano was order of day

## Rock solid show from the Henge

**"STEP right up, step right up," chanted the band to the revellers who'd turned up to watch the show at the Pelton Arms.**

Tankus the Henge braved the post-Christmas, pre-New Year no-man's land to perform at the east Greenwich pub on December 29. Some of the assembled gaggle looked a mince pie away from meltdown – and that was just the band...

The six-piece circus-inspired London band played an energetic, eclectic blend of fast-fuelled rock 'n' roll with a dollop of pop and jazz thrown in for good measure.

With their porkpie hats and dungarees the lads filled the room with a smoky allure, getting the crowd going with the bombastic track 'Smiling Makes the Day Go Quicker'. A more eerie track, 'Life is a Grimm's Tale' conjured up visions of the smoky backstreets of a bygone era, slipping into the realms of satire and delusion.

The set was performed with zest and vigour and a piano looking about to burst into flames. Lead singer Jaz Delorean seemed as though he might take off such was the frenzy of his passionate performance.

A handful of loyal fans were in the house and danced a jig, some appropriately in hats, as per the participation brief. The take-partiness was key, with one of the songs requiring us all to scream and shout along.

The boys describe their sound as carnival rock 'n' roll, and there was homage paid to the genre in the technicality of the performance and use of the fog machine.

The addition of smoke create mystique...and coughing fits, in equal measure.

There was definitely a hat-tip or ten to Madness, as well as elements of The Beatles in their Sgt. Pepper days, and tragic singer-songwriter Jeff Buckley. It was hard not to get into the zone and participate in the foot-stomping, hip-swinging showmanship of the lads. 8/10 Grace Lipski

Tankus are planning another visit to the Pelton Arms in 2013 and have a Facebook and Twitter page. For more information visit [www.tankusthehenge.co.uk](http://www.tankusthehenge.co.uk)

## Pretty green

THE Elixir Gallery hosts a green-themed photo exhibition until the end of February.

'Green Chain Captured', on at the gallery in Queen Elizabeth Hospital, was organised in partnership with the Green Chain walking route. Residents were invited to submit photographs taken along the route, of which sixty entries were selected for the exhibition.

Admission is free. Elixir Gallery is near the west entrance the hospital, Stadium Road, Woolwich. Open 8am-8pm, seven days a week.



IF experience counts for anything, Gwen Zammit's 60 years with St Luke's Players should help to assuage some first night nerves at their panto on Friday, January 18 at the Assembly Rooms in Charlton.

**Babes in the Wood**, first published anonymously in Norwich in 1595, is one of a dozen pantomimes the ebullient lady has written and produced since her predecessor, Brian Garrett, went to work for Ken Dodd in the early Seventies.

And if you think *Babes...* can be a bit Grimm, rest assured it all turns out okay in the end, thanks mainly to the "fairy of good intent with the wand that's always bent".

Gwen, who likes to punctuate her sentences with a guffaw, told *Scene*: "I've been writing pantomimes now for 40 years. I started in 1972 and I've got about 10 or 12 that I can keep bringing up to date.

"The reason I'm doing this one again after 15 years is that I've got a lot of children from St Luke's Church and from the local scouts. We've been rehearsing since September because it's two hours long."

The panto gets four airings on Fridays and Saturdays until January 26.

"There are about 10 children and they've been working hard over the holiday with the singing and choreography," the producer said. "I've included the Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe to give the children speaking parts. They are aged between five and 15. It's very exciting for them."

Gwen, who used to perform herself, also puts on cabaret, usually with a fish and chips supper, and son et lumière. As for pantomimes, she said: "I like mine to be about the story, not written around a star. Madam Skinner is the dame but all the parts are very much equal in length, and audience participation

## WHAT

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# If you go down to the woods today..

**Festive cheer all dried up? Oh no it's not! PETER CORDWELL talks to the producer of *Babes in the Wood*...**

is very important." Gwen got into it all at the age of 19 when the Girl Guides needed someone to write a one-act play for the 50th anniversary of the movement.

Now, as well as St Luke's Players, the tireless trouper for the local Scout Group and leads the church choir...Oh, yes she does!

*Babes in the Wood*, Charlton Assembly Rooms, Friday January 18 and 25, Saturday January 19 and 26, 7.45pm (Saturday matinee, 4.15pm). Tickets £10 (children £5). Book on 020 8319 8369. All profits to homeless charity Shelter



**Babes in the Wood**  
Assembly Rooms,  
Charlton, Jan 18, 19,  
25, 26. Book on 020  
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HAND IT TO THE CAST: Dick's loyal band take an end-of-show bow

## He's Dick Wittyton

**WHY** on earth do the English love panto? Europeans are baffled, Americans bewildered and most other nations bored out of their brains. But without fail at Christmas, this great island nation abandons its usual restraint.

With terrible stories and with even worse jokes, our theatre is turned on its head. The sexes swap roles, the audience shout out and we all have a great time.

Theatre in Eltham has become part of the town with a Christmas production that stretches back forever (a short break aside for the Second World War, they've not missed a year since 1921). Thanks to Bob Hope - Eltham's most famous son, who helped purchase the theatre - the future, for now, appears safe. "We're a registered charity", manager, Jim Shepherd, told *Scene*, "and completely dependent on volunteers. "Even our writers are amateurs", he went on, "Peter Long and Keith Rawnsley have written this."

The tale of **Dick Whittington and His Cat** is surprisingly based on fact. Richard Whittington of Gloucester (b.1358) did actually exist - he was the son of a very wealthy man. But on the death of his father he moved down to London determined to make his own way.

After a difficult start he soon became rich trading textiles with merchants abroad. He married into gentry (Alice, the daughter of Sir Ivo Fitwaryn) and rose quickly to the top, becoming Lord Mayor of London four times.

But there's no evidence to show that Dick Whittington (played here by Trudi de Lissier-Boyle) bought a cat, (Louisa Dodd), named it Tommy, or that it chased after the King's rats (a dark and rather sinister, Stuart Pinel). It's even less certain that they set sail for Morocco on the ship, Battered Haddock, under good Captain Cutlass (Peter "full marks for improvising" Wall) with Jack Sprat (an entertaining and energetic Will Hawkes) and his mother Gertrude (Stephen Clark) on board.

And it's downright unlikely that they all met the Sultan, (Sultan Peppa, that is), and his lieutenants, Beau Larrat (Thomas Arden-Mulhern) and Beau Lamova (Philip Inns).

But the portrayal of truth is not what we're after when we go to the panto at Christmas. We laugh at bad jokes ("he's got everything going for him...his teeth are going") and sneer at worse puns ("the Sultan's all wrinkly") and we cherish the memories they give us. The child behind me spoke seriously to her mother when hiding her ice cream behind her: "I'm hiding this so that the nasty man won't steal it." Priceless. 7/10

**Dick Morgan**

Dick Whittington plays every weekend until January 26 at the Bob Hope Theatre in Eltham. Book on 020 8850 3702 or at [www.bobhopetheatre.co.uk](http://www.bobhopetheatre.co.uk)

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### PELTON ARMS

**Live music: Marco Piccioni Band. Fri Jan 18**  
Blues and rock 'n' roll sounds from London guitarist at the Greenwich pub. 8pm. FREE. 020 8858 0572

### ELIXIR GALLERY, QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL

**Green Chain Captured. Until Weds Feb 27**  
Exhibition featuring photographs taken along the Green Chain walking route. 8am-8pm. FREE. 020 8836 5831

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**Open Mic Finals. Sat Jan 19**  
Final of the music talent competition. 2pm/5.30/8pm.  
Tkts from £22. 0844 856 0202. [www.theo2.co.uk](http://www.theo2.co.uk)

### ST. ALFEGE'S CHURCH

**St. Paul's Sinfonia. Fri Jan 18**  
Orchestra performs classics. 7.30pm. Various prices,  
tickets on door. [www.stpaulssinfonia.com](http://www.stpaulssinfonia.com)

### OLD ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE

**After Dark Tour. Thurs Jan 17**  
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7pm-8pm. £10. 020 8312 6608. [www.ornc.org](http://www.ornc.org)

### BLACKHEATH HALLS

**Jenny Eclair - Eclairious**  
Sat Jan 26

SHE braved the jungles of the Australian outback back in 2010 on I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here, and comedian Jenny Eclair braves the crowds in Blackheath at the end of the month with her new stand-up show.

The show's called Eclairious, and it's all about her experience in the business, which has spanned more than 30 years.

The 52-year-old has had a varied career, which has included a spot of acting in *The Bill*, a spell as a novelist, pantomime roles across the country,

cooking on *Celebrity Masterchef*, radio presenting, talk show host, on *Loose Women* as a panellist and on BBC2's *Grumpy Old Women*.

She's even tried to help lower the UK's cholesterol levels by fronting the Food Standards Agency's salt reduction campaign adverts.

So it's fair to say she's a seasoned professional, and no doubt she'll have plenty to say in her appearance at the Halls.

**Jenny Eclair performs at Blackheath Halls on Saturday January 26 at 8pm. Tickets are £17.50. 020 8305 9300. [www.trinitylaban.ac.uk](http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk)**





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Should you wish to have an informal discussion please contact:  
**Maryam Sheikholeslami,**  
**Design & Projects Team Leader on 020 8921 6148.**  
**Closing Date: 4th February 2013.**

To apply for this post please visit the Royal Borough of Greenwich website  
[www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk), and apply online.



## Volunteers for hospice

PEOPLE of all ages are wanted to join the team of volunteers at Greenwich and Bexley Community Hospice on Bostall Hill, Abbey Wood.

The hospice is a registered charity and offers specialist care and support to local people with life-limiting illnesses. Last year it helped more than 2,500 local people and their families.

"Our volunteers make a big difference to the quality of life of people who have a life-limiting illness," said Vanessa Hill, the hospice's volunteers manager. "We have all sorts of volunteer roles, with something to suit all abilities and availabilities."

The hospice has a team of 500 volunteers working in a variety of roles, from charity shop work and fundraising to working directly with patients and their families.

• For more information contact Vanessa Hill on 020 8320 5812, e-mail [vanessahill@gbch.org.uk](mailto:vanessahill@gbch.org.uk) or go to [www.communityhospice.org.uk](http://www.communityhospice.org.uk)

## A royal DVD

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## GREENWICH COUNCIL

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 SECTION 123

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Notice is hereby given that the Royal Borough of Greenwich intends to dispose of land and building known as Dickson House and Ross House SE18 which includes approximately 1590 sq m of open space and amenity land.

The disposal is to take place by way of freehold transfer to London and Quadrant Housing Trust Limited in order to provide a new development.

A plan showing the area of the land affected by the proposal may be inspected during normal office hours at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, 5th Floor Woolwich Centre Wellington Street Woolwich, SE18 6HQ.

Any objection to the intended disposal must be made in writing and should be sent to Russell Power, Head of Law and Governance, 5th Floor Woolwich Centre Wellington Street Woolwich, SE18 6HQ before 25th January 2013.

Dated the 3rd day of January 2013.

Russell Power  
Law and Governance  
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# GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 321

## How the lettings policy works

Housing applicants are placed within 'Bands' according to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's policy for letting homes. Your band information is on the letter that the Council sent you when you registered, or when your circumstances changed. Property adverts say which band can apply and any other criteria. When all the bids are received, the property is then offered to: For properties advertised for band A and band B - the applicant who has had this priority status for the longest time. For properties advertised for band C applicants - the applicant who has been registered on the Council's list for the longest time.

### BAND

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the Royal Borough of Greenwich must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

## How do I apply?

1

### Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, register an application on line at

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2

### Find your applicant number

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### Pick out your ideal property

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### Apply in one of two ways

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- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes)

The next edition of **GreenwichHomes** will be available on **Wednesday 16 January 2013 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 13 January 2013**.

## 24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes  
(Choice Based Lettings) Telephone  
Bidding Line is available in:  
English 020 8921 4340

Greenwich Homes (locations « au  
choix ») Ligne téléphonique de  
demande disponible en français  
en composant le :  
French 020 8921 4330

Có sãn Đường dây Đầu giá Điện  
thoại Greenwich Homes (Tài sãn  
Dựa trên Sự chọn lựa) ở:  
Vietnamese 020 8921 4343

Guryaha Xaafadda Greenwich  
(Guri-ijaar Ku-saleysan kala-  
doorashao) Khadka Ku-iafanka  
waxaa laga helaa:  
Somali 020 8921 4345

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Kiraik Konut) Telefon ile Teklif Verme  
Hattı Türkçe de aranabiliyor:  
Turkish 020 8921 4347

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話競投專線:  
Cantonese 020 8921 4370

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வாடகை வீடுகள்) ஏலப் பிரிவு தொலைபே.  
இங்கு கிடைக்கும்:  
Tamil 020 8921 4300

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# GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

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can apply  
for Bands  
A&B**



Ref Number: 172595  
**Milne House**  
**Ogilby Street SE18**  
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phone  
Rad C/H No Pkg  
**£92.77pw** Bands A&B



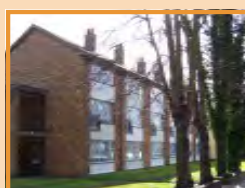
Ref Number: 173165  
**Pound Park Road SE7**  
3 Bed House  
Gdn Rad C/H  
**£113.03pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 173181  
**Dutch Almshouses**  
**Fletching Road SE7**  
1 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Rad C/H Pref to over 50.  
**£104.55pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 173240  
**Middle Park Ave SE9**  
3 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Gdn Rad C/H No Pkg  
**£103.85pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 173241  
**Elderslie Road SE9**  
Bedsit Grnd Floor Flat  
Rad C/H No Pkg  
**£83.10pw** Bands A&B

## Important Notice

Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**

## Small is beautiful the Under Occupation scheme

If you are living in a Council property that is too big for you, we can help you to move to somewhere smaller.

The Council will pay your removal costs, and £350 for each bedroom gained.

To join the scheme you must be willing to move to a home with two bedrooms less than you have now:

- 3 bedroom to a 1 bedroom home
- 3 bedroom parlour/4 bedroom to a 1 or 2 bedroom home
- 5 bedroom to a 3 bedroom (or smaller) home

For more information contact the Project Team on

**020 8921 2671**



Ref Number: 173242  
**Brinkburn Close SE2**  
2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Entry phone Rad C/H  
**£88.01pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 173249  
**Cantwell House**  
**Cantwell Road SE18**  
2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat  
Entry phone Rad C/H  
**£97.41pw** Bands A&B

## Information Only

### Parlour Houses

3 bed Parlour is counted as a 4 bed roomed

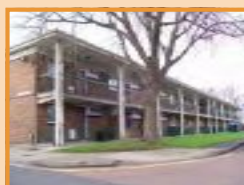
4 Bed Parlour is counted as a 5 bed roomed

## Bands A&B Priority Applicants

Fewer Bands A&B priority applicants have been bidding for advertised properties in recent weeks.

**Please note that if you do not bid on a regular basis you risk losing your priority status.**

Please contact the office if you need help in bidding.



Ref Number: 173259  
**Gorman Road SE18**  
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Unlifted Entry phone  
Rad C/H  
**£77.10pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 173277  
**The Link SE9**  
2 Bed 2nd Floor Mals  
Unlifted Entry phone  
Rad C/H No Pkg  
**£98.98pw** Bands A&B



Ref Number: 173337  
**Ravens Way SE12**  
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phone  
Rad C/H  
**£97.71pw** Bands A&B



Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

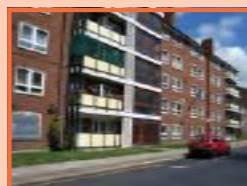
# GreenwichHomes

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Anyone on the housing list can apply for these



Ref Number: 173239  
**Plantagenet House**  
**Leda Road SE18**  
2 Bed 6th Floor Flat  
Lifted Ent. ph Rad C/H  
Min 1 child any age  
**£109.36pw** Band C



Ref Number: 173243  
**Kingsman Street SE18**  
1 Bed 4th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phone  
Rad C/H  
**£81.33pw** Band C

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties



Ref Number: 173251  
**Claymill House**  
**Raglan Road SE18**  
1 Bed 14th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phone  
Com Gas Htg No Pkg  
**£89.91pw** Band C

## Need to Move?



You can only register on line for free



Ref Number: 173253  
**Nightingale Heights**  
**Nightingale Vale SE18**  
1 Bed 16th Floor Flat  
Lifted Entry phone  
Rad C/H  
**£92.85pw** Band C

**If you are bidding for houses under Band C you must have 1 child under 16 years**

## Seaside and Country Scheme

This scheme offers one and two bedroom flats and bungalows on the Coast and in the countryside, in the South East and West of England.

In order to be considered you must be:

- A Council or Housing Association tenant
- At least 60 years old (if someone is moving with you they must be over 55 years old).

Your removal costs will be met if you are a Council tenant and you do move to a Seaside and Country home. To register, or find out more about the scheme, contact the Access and Allocation section on Tel: 020 8921 2941

If you are a Housing Association tenant you need to contact your landlord to register. Further information is available from the scheme management organisation at [www.housingmoves.org](http://www.housingmoves.org)

## Mutual Exchange Swapping your home

Council and Housing Association Tenants can exchange their property with another tenant. From April 2006 applicants who have registered for a mutual exchange will be able to find suitable swaps through the Greenwich Homes website [www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes).

For more information about this scheme contact the Allocations Team on

**020 8921 2941**

Applicants over 50+ can apply



Ref Number: 173276  
**Dursley Road SE3**  
Bedsit Bung  
Gdn Rad C/H  
**£78.30pw** Band C

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Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

## Important Notice

### Changes to the rents and tenancies of some advertised housing association properties.

#### Affordable Housing

Currently the rent level for the properties you see advertised in Greenwich Homes is significantly lower than full market rents in private sector housing.

From now you will now be seeing some housing association properties advertised for higher rents, up to eighty percent of the market rent. These rents will also include the service charge that you will need to pay for the property. We will use the phrase Affordable Housing on the adverts to help you identify these properties.

#### Please note the Council will continue to advertise all the homes it owns at the standard rent level.

You can bid for properties advertised as Affordable Housing in exactly the same way as for other advertised properties. If you are successful the housing association may want to check you have enough income to pay the higher rent, whether you are working or on benefits. If you are currently a housing association tenant the rent you pay on your present home will not be affected by this change.

#### Fixed term tenancies

You will also notice that the tenancies for Affordable Housing and some other housing association properties may now be for a shorter period than the present lifetime tenancies offered by housing associations. The phrase Fixed term tenancy will be used in the adverts to identify these properties. The tenancy details will be explained to you if you are successful when you view the property.

**Please think about these changes when bidding for an Affordable housing property and make sure you can afford the home that you choose.**

### This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 318

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Tump House Miles Drive SE28 0NJ	2	FLAT	63	21/01/2011	A
Mill Court Titmuss Avenue SE28 8BX	2	FLAT	302	28/04/2009	C
Harold Wilson House Arnott Close SE28 8BD	1	FLAT	307	14/01/2010	C
Walpole Place SE18 6TW	3	MAISONETTE	62	06/07/2012	B
Ravens Way SE12 8EZ	1	FLAT	70	03/05/2009	B
The Heights SE7 8JJ	1	FLAT	54	22/07/2011	B
Elmley Street SE18 7NJ	2	MAISONETTE	64	08/02/2012	B
Holburne Road SE3 8HF	1	FLAT	62	14/06/2011	B
Kidbrooke Park Close SE3 0EF	1	FLAT	55	26/10/2011	B
Bromholm Road SE2 9ND	2	FLAT	351	03/09/2007	C
The Oaks SE18 7JS	1	FLAT	445	10/07/2009	C
Samuel Street SE18 5LE	2	FLAT	319	09/03/2010	C
Bingham Point Wilmount Street SE18 6RJ	2	FLAT	321	07/03/2008	C
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5QH	0	FLAT	11	05/07/2010	C
Bexley Road SE9 2PJ	3	FLAT	59	02/10/2012	B
Ann Street SE18 7LU	1	FLAT	46	06/11/2012	B
Abbey Wood Road Abbey Wood SE2 9ED	1	FLAT	28	28/06/2010	B
Harvey Gardens SE7 8AJ	2	FLAT	91	15/06/2012	B
Cross Court Titmuss Avenue SE28 8BY	2	FLAT	246	23/03/2010	C
Whinchat Road SE28 0DZ	1	FLAT	366	23/06/2009	C

## GreenwichHomes adverts

*Greenwich Time* is now being published 50 weeks a year and is delivered to all residents. GreenwichHome adverts are included in every issue.

## For information or assistance

Contact our Allocations Team  
on: 020 8921 2941

Email: [housing-allocations@greenwich.gov.uk](mailto:housing-allocations@greenwich.gov.uk)



# TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 PUBLIC INQUIRY

At  
Woolwich Town Hall, Wellington Street, Woolwich SE18 6PW,  
Commencing at 10:00am on Tuesday 22nd January  
and continuing on Wednesday 23rd & Thursday 24th January 2013.

## REASON FOR INQUIRY

Appeal by Christ Faith Tobemside International (CFTI)

Relating to the application to Royal London Borough of Greenwich  
For: Change of use from D2 (Single Retail) to D1 (Place of Worship)

At: Former Gala Bingo, 186 Powis Street, Woolwich, London, SE18 6NL

An Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State under paragraph 1(1) of schedule 6 to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 will attend at the place, date and time shown above to decide the appeal.

Members of public may attend the inquiry and, at the Inspector's discretion, express their views. If you, or anyone you know has a disability and is concerned about facilities at the inquiry venue, you should contact the council to confirm that suitable provisions are in place. Documents relating to the appeal can be viewed at the Council's offices by prior arrangement.

Planning Inspectorate Reference: APP/E5330/A/12/2181589

Contact point at the Planning Inspectorate: Nicholas Kassler,  
3/10a, Temple Quay House, No. 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN  
Tel: 0303-444-5400

You can use the internet to submit documents, to see information and to check the progress of this case through the Planning Portal. The address of our search page is <http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/portals/casesearch.asp>. You can access this case by putting the above reference number into the 'Case Ref' field of the 'Search' page and clicking on the search button.

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# Royal Borough of Greenwich Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (AS AMENDED) Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) Order 2010 Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (AS AMENDED) Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990 (AS AMENDED) Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007 (AS AMENDED)

(Notice is hereby given that applications) have been made to The Royal Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday and 9.00am to 5.00pm on Saturday at: **Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT** or at the library shown between normal opening hours.

If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Statutorily Listed Buildings under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Area) Act 1990 (as Amended) this will be shown within the item below.

Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice. Please quote the appropriate reference number.

Date: 08/01/2013

Mika Rowe - Chief Planning Officer

## Publicity For Planning Applications

- Applicant:** Mr Hugh Stallard  
**Development:** PREPARATORY SCHOOL, 4 ST GERMAN'S PLACE, BLACKHEATH, SE3 0NH  
**Drawing Numbers:** 6-101, 6-102 Rev A, 6-111 Rev A, 6-120 Rev A, 6-121 Rev A, 6-151, 6-300 Rev B, 6-221 Rev A, 6-300 Rev B, 6-101 Rev B, 6-302 Rev B, 6-303 Rev B, 6-304 Rev B, 6-318, 6-331, Planning Application Doc and Site Plan.  
**Library:** Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT  
**Conservation Area:** BLACKHEATH
- Applicant:** Mrs Alison Palmer  
**Development:** 9 VANBRUGH HILL, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7UE  
**Drawing Numbers:** 125.501(A), 502(A), 501(A), 502(B), Design & Access Statement and Site plan.  
**Library:** Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT  
**Conservation Area:** WESTCOMBE PARK
- Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Hartono  
**Development:** 83A HERVEY ROAD, KIDSBROOKE, LONDON, SE3 8BX  
**Drawing Numbers:** HR-PL-EX-01, HR-PL-EX-02, HR-PL-EX-03, HR-PL-EX-11, HR-PL-GA-01, HR-PL-GA-02, HR-PL-GA-03, HR-PL-GA-04, HR-PL-GA-05, HR-PL-GA-06, HR-PL-GA-07, HR-PL-GA-08, HR-PL-GA-09, HR-PL-GA-10, HR-PL-GA-11, Design and Access Statement and Site Location Plan.  
**Library:** East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road, London, SE10 8RL  
**Conservation Area:** SUN IN THE SANDS
- Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Jones  
**Development:** 10 PARK ROW, GREENWICH, SE10 9NG  
**Drawing Numbers:** 12028(P)010, 011, 012, 12028(E)001, 902, 905, 006 and Design & Access Statement.  
**Library:** East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 8RL  
**Conservation Area:** GREENWICH PARK
- Applicant:** Mr R Nelson  
**Development:** 1 KING GEORGE STREET, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8QJ  
**Drawing Numbers:** 1788 E 01, 04, 05, 1788 P 21, Rev A, P 23 Rev A, P 24 Rev A, P 25 Rev A, 1788 - 308, Design & Conservation Statement and Site plan.  
**Library:** West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN  
**Conservation Area:** WEST GREENWICH
- Applicant:** Mr M Schooten  
**Development:** 15 GLENLUCE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7SD  
**Drawing Numbers:** 93624.0001, 93624.0002, 1057/GA/108 Rev B, 101 Rev A, 102 Rev A, 103 Rev A, 106, 107, 108, 1057/EL/204, 207 Rev B, 1057/BD/308, 1057/PL/010 (Site plan), Design & Access Statement and Planning Statement.  
**Library:** Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT  
**Conservation Area:** WESTCOMBE PARK
- Applicant:** Ms Greenwich Hospital  
**Development:** FORMER BAR DU MUSEE, 17-19 NELSON ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9JB  
**Drawing Numbers:** 11637 E10 Rev C, 11637 E11 Rev B, 11637 E12 Rev B, 11637 E13 Rev B, 11637 P10 Rev C, 11637 P11 Rev B, 11637 P12 Rev A, 11637 P13 Rev A, Site Location Plan, Location Plan, Noise Assessment, Heritage Collective Historic Buildings Impact Assessment, Planning History, Air Quality Statement, Historic Buildings Impact Assessment 11637/3.1, Construction Management Plan, Design and Access Statement, Letter dated 7.12.12 and Letter dated 10.12.12.  
**Library:** West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN  
**Conservation Area:** WEST GREENWICH

- Applicant:** Mr Mark Eggs Winloworth  
**Development:** WINKWORTH, 279-283 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8NB  
**Drawing Numbers:** 9382-81 and 82  
**Library:** West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN  
**Conservation Area:** WEST GREENWICH
- Applicant:** Everything Everywhere  
**Development:** WESTCOMBE COURT, WESTCOMBE PARK ROAD, BLACKHEATH, SE3  
**Drawing Numbers:** EE/GUN3183/AT/GA/WT-01 Rev A, 02 Rev A, 03 Rev A, 04 Rev A, Design & Access Statement, Declaration of Conformity, Developer Notice and Supplementary Information.  
**Library:** Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT  
**Conservation Area:** BLACKHEATH
- Applicant:** Young & Cos Brewery Plc  
**Development:** RIVER WALL FRONTING CUTTY SARK P.H., 4-6 BALLAST QUAY, GREENWICH, SE10  
**Drawing Numbers:** 1254/01, 02, Site plan, Design & Access Statement, Environment Agency Application Doc and Cover letter dated 7/12/2012  
**Library:** East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 8RL  
**Conservation Area:** EAST GREENWICH

## Publicity for Listed Building Consent

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**Development:** PREPARATORY SCHOOL, 4 ST GERMAN'S PLACE, BLACKHEATH, SE3 0NH  
**Drawing Numbers:** 6-101, 6-102 Rev A, 6-111 Rev A, 6-120 Rev A, 6-121 Rev A, 6-151, 6-300 Rev B, 6-221 Rev A, 6-300 Rev B, 6-301 Rev B, 6-302 Rev B, 6-303 Rev B, 6-304 Rev B, 6-318, 6-331, Planning Application Doc and Site Plan.  
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**Conservation Area:** BLACKHEATH
- Applicant:** Greenwich Hospital  
**Development:** FORMER BAR DU MUSEE, 17-19 NELSON ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9JB  
**Drawing Numbers:** 11637 E10 Rev C, 11637 E11 Rev B, 11637 E12 Rev B, 11637 E13 Rev B, 11637 P10 Rev C, 11637 P11 Rev B, 11637 P12 Rev A, 11637 P13 Rev A, Site Location Plan, Location Plan, Noise Assessment, Heritage Collective Historic Buildings Impact Assessment, Planning History, Air Quality Statement, Historic Buildings Impact Assessment 11637/3.1, Construction Management Plan, Design and Access Statement, Letter dated 7.12.12 and Letter dated 10.12.12.  
**Library:** West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN  
**Conservation Area:** WEST GREENWICH
- Applicant:** Mr Cliff Bradford Punch Taverns  
**Development:** BUGLE HORN, 6 THE VILLAGE, CHARLTON, LONDON, SE7 8UD  
**Drawing Numbers:** 12.52.P1.P.001, 12.52.P1.P.003, 12.52.P1.P.010, Design and Access Statement and Site Location Plan.  
**Library:** East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 8RL  
**Conservation Area:** CHARLTON VILLAGE

## Publicity For Advertisements

- Applicant:** Mr Mark Eggs Winloworth  
**Development:** WINKWORTH, 279-283 GREENWICH HIGH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8NB  
**Drawing Numbers:** 9382-81 and 82  
**Library:** West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN  
**Conservation Area:** WEST GREENWICH





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# Porky, the best

KEVIN NOLAN delves into the history of the borough's most successful football club, and sheds light on the origins of the Addicks' nickname...

**CHARLTON Athletic's recent history has served up a mixture of emotions – the highs of promotion from League One as champions last season offset by the darkening clouds of financial gloom.**

But football's not always been about profit and loss. In a more innocent time, down where Eastmoor Street stands in an area largely swallowed up by the Thames Barrier, south-east London's most successful football club was born.

It was there, on June 9 1905, that a bunch of 16 and 17-year-old kids were encouraged by two local youth missions to form a new football team. They were enterprising 'erberts determined to play as Charlton Athletic in red shirts.

An advertisement in the Kentish Independent, describing their standard as "medium strength", swelled the ranks and supported by local publican Harry Wells, Charlton opened with a 6-1 victory over Silvertown Wesley United on Siemens Meadow in December 1905. Among the line-up was William Bonner, known to his mates as 'Porky'. Porky made history by scoring their first competitive goal in a 6-1 drubbing of Nunhead Swifts Reserves on September 22 1906, in Lewisham League Division Three.

Porky played on until 1912, well before Charlton's growing reputation persuaded them to embrace professionalism in 1920. A season spent in the Southern League prefaced their admission to the Football League Third Division South, which began with a 1-0 win over Exeter City at The Valley on August 27. Sole survivor from 1905 was Albert 'Mosky' Mills, who appeared twice during the groundbreaking 1921-22 season. Mosky appears with Porky in the photo, above.

Porky Bonner, the self-proclaimed fastest outside right in Charlton's history, died in Lee in 1954, but remains connected to the famous club he helped found through successive generations of family who hold season tickets at The Valley. West Stand regular Terry Bennett was brought up on his grandad's colourful stories, including his important contribution, as a Royal Artillery cook, to victory in World War One. Apparently, Porky's notorious dumplings caused untold havoc when lobbed across No Man's Land into enemy trenches. "Probably shortened the war," recalled their modest creator.

A year after Porky departed, a momentous decision reached two miles down river from



**FLEDGLING TEAM:** Charlton Athletic in the 1905/06 season. Porky Bonner is fifth from left in the back row. Mosky Mills is centre front.

Eastmoor Street handed Charlton an unexpected boost. They were interested spectators as the machinations of Woolwich Arsenal chairman Sir Henry Norris moved his powerhouse club across the Thames to north London in 1913, to the immense irritation of Tottenham Hotspur. Their invasion of Spurs' turf was provocative enough but paled into insignificance alongside the backroom chicanery which outrageously promoted Arsenal to the First Division in 1919, at the expense of their new neighbours.

Arsenal's furtive flit was the making of their humble cousins from the next parish. In one foul swoop, the eight-year-old rookies became cocks-of-the-walk in

Woolwich, where many of the betrayed Arsenal workers switched sides. Football, like nature, abhors a vacuum. Charlton cheerfully filled this one.

In 1910, meanwhile, the chairmanship had been taken over by Arthur "Ikey" Bryan, a fish 'n' chip entrepreneur reportedly responsible for Charlton's mysterious nickname. Any palaver about Robins or Valiants can be

safely ignored. They're the Addicks and the blame can be squarely laid on Ikey who, clearly not the full shilling, turned up on match days with a haddock pinned to a pole. Legend maintains that Haddocks morphed into 'Addocks', then less understandably, into 'Addicks'.

Some offer the simple erosion of Athletic in explanation but Arthur Bryan's endearing lunacy has far more appeal and finds favour here. Few Charlton supporters know what an 'Addick' is but are proud to be counted as one.

It is imperative that the current custodians ensure its stability and long term future. If they blow it, they risk finding the ghosts of Porky Bonner and Mosky Mills on their case. Or if that doesn't work, Ikey Bryan might move through their dreams with his past-it-sell-by totem pole. That should concentrate their minds. And their nostrils.



**ACTION JACKSON:** Charlton's captain Johnnie Jackson in 2012

## JJ's world

From page 24

three nights week. "I've never got bored with fencing," he said. "As long as you are still improving and your goal is still in sight, all the work and travelling is worthwhile. Boredom is the first sign of not caring, and if you don't care it's not worth doing."

Peak age for fencers is late 20s, so JJ's calm demeanour suits a long-term approach. He's very much the young gunslinger in the sport but doesn't need to prove himself yet at the O.K Corral.

"Fencing is a professional sport in some countries and we're trying to get a higher profile for the federation here," he said.

Vital to his own amazing progress has been the Royal Borough of Greenwich's Starting Blocks, the charity set up locally for young people with the biggest sporting dreams.

"They've supported me all along for training and competitions and that's been invaluable," said JJ. "They've also given me a few opportunities to go out and speak as well, which has been a good experience."

JJ's parents Steve and Tina, and 19-year-old brother Sam, have also been rocks to rely on. Steve told GT: "We are immensely proud of what he has achieved already. We just can't imagine how we would feel if he makes it to the 2020 Olympics."

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**MAKING HIS POINT:**  
sabre star JJ Webb,  
who will be taking  
on the best in the  
world in his age  
group in 2013

# JJ's world!

## He's taking on the best on the planet in 2013

by Peter Cordwell

**THE** friendly old gentleman Jonathan Webb chatted to at the ExCel Centre during the Olympics didn't make a great impression until someone told him afterwards who the man was.

And that chance meeting could take on even more significance if "JJ" goes on to realise his dream of becoming the best sabre fencer in the world.

The man - 81-year-old Allan Jay - was the first Briton to become a world champion fencer, in 1959, and it's not impossible that JJ's steely determination will see him emulate the feat.

Not 17 until March, he's already the UK School Games sabre champion - which led to an invitation to Clarence House by Prince Harry - and he's ranked No.1 in the British Cadet (under

17) class and eighth already among the juniors (under 20s).

"I've been getting better and better nationally and internationally," said JJ at his home in New Eltham. "Abroad I've had the best British result at every competition and I'm now ranked seventh in Europe. I came 11th in the cadet world championships in 2012 and will compete again in Croatia in March."

"The Rio Olympics in 2016 are not out of the question but my aim really is 2020. They will announce the venue in two years' time."

How does JJ keep up with the particular intensity of it all? "Training is always changing," he told GT. "There's always something new to work on, which keeps you motivated. Over the last 18 months, for example, I've worked a lot on strength and conditioning, which adds variety."

Jonathan James Webb - JJ to everyone in the sport, including the bloke who posts results online - is a member of the elite Camden club, an hour's journey

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